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TITLE: DEVICE FOR THE CONTROLLED INHALATION OF
THERAPEUTIC AEROSOLS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Here are copies of references that may be relevant to the examination of this application. Three European Patents Office Publications and one US Patent are referenced in the specification. Two of the European Publications, namely EP A 0 355 412 and EP B 0 587 380 correspond respectively to US Patent Nos. 4,988,146 and 6,116,233. The corresponding US Patents are enclosed with this statement. No English equivalent was found for EP A 0 965 355 which is enclosed, but an English language abstract is attached.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the Background portion of the application for a discussion of the state of the art in which the invention was made.

For any questions on this art or the application, the Examiner is invited to call applicants' representative at the number listed below.

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